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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: MOL Policy Committee Meeting

1. The full committee met at 0830, 25 February 1965, to consider the results of the MOL Laboratory Source Selection Board. The briefing team for this presentation consisted of Brigadier General Maxwell, Colonel Hedrick, Colonel Nudenberg, and Colonel Carter. Major General Ritland was present with General Schriever, and Brigadier General H. Evans represented SAFSL. This part of the Committee Meeting lasted one hour.
2. At the conclusion of this portion of the meeting, Dr. McMillan, General Schriever and Lieutenant General Ferguson left, as did the Source Selection briefing team. Colonel Carter remained in his capacity as Deputy, SAFSL. General Ritland remained, representing General Schriever. General Evans briefed the remainder of the meeting starting with Administration.
3. Under Administration, Secretary Zuckert explained that he preferred that the procedures for minutes, reports and agreements to decisions be the same as those presently used by the DSMG. As for alternates to the principal committee members, Secretary Zuckert declined to nominate anyone, General McConnell nominated the Vice Chief of Staff, Assistant Secretary Flax stated that either he or Under Secretary McMillan should be present at the meeting and Assistant Secretary Marks did not nominate anyone. Generals Schriever and Ferguson were not present and could not give their opinions. Neither could Dr. McMillan, who was also absent. The subject of the schedule for the next meeting was discussed. Secretary Zuckert stated he thought it should be called only when problems could be identified which required the consideration of the full committee. Informational-type meetings were not desired. This introduces the problem of providing a mechanism for keeping the Committee informed by some means other than Committee meetings.
4. The security briefing was next summarized by General Evans, at the request of Secretary Zuckert, without the assistance of any visual aids.
5. General Evans then proceeded to outline to the Committee the various actions which were underway to achieve the objectives

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specified in the DDR&E memorandum of 4 January 1965. He completed this part of the briefing with a description of the interaction of events visually depicted by the PERT-type diagram and a chart summarizing the actions accomplished to date.

6. Subsequent to the presentation, General Ritland made a strong plea to Secretary Zuckert for assistance in our working relations with the NASA. He emphasized that in his opinion NASA was not bound by the same security constraints as the DOD and might use the Congressional hearings as a forum for public debates on the virtues of a NASA space station to accomplish DOD experiments. He stated that General Schriever had been encouraging NASA to accomplish DOD research and technology objectives in its space flights but that NASA was tending to include not only these objectives but satisfaction of DOD system and operational objectives as well. He further stated that Mr. Grey of NASA, with whom he was having meetings and discussions, was forecasting the availability of 6 SATURN I-B's and 6 SATURN C-V's from a production line on a non-interference basis with the basic APOLLO program. NASA is planning to take representatives of the PSAC to visit various of their facilities in the next few weeks and would undoubtedly convey to them this kind of information. General Ritland stated a need for a paper to Mr. Webb, possibly from Mr. McNamara, which would enjoin them to the constraints of the security presently imposed upon the DOD with respect to the MOL program.

7. Secretary Zuckert agreed and requested a letter be prepared for Dr. McMillan to send to Mr. McNamara requesting this. After Secretary Zuckert had gone, General Ritland asked General Evans to assume the responsibility for this action.

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